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THE LEAGUE SITUATION

If President Wilson is convinced that 80 percent of the people of the United States want the League of Nations, he is perhaps right. He does not go on to say, however, that of the 80 percent, most want a league that will give Uncle Sam a square deal with John Bull, leave America's conscience free about Shantung and safeguard certain purely American institutions that have been built up with strictly American labor—and generally with British opposition.

Soldiers are habitual devotees of the art of grousing. In the army they growled about the food, the accommodations, the duties and everything else—up to the moment they were called on to go to the test. In civil life, the former soldiers retain the habit, and of the scores of ex-service men in Yavapai county, with whom we come in contact daily, we have yet to meet one who is uncompromisingly in favor of the league as she stands.

Congress has apparently abandoned the idea of putting through the Johnson amendment at this time, and the senator who is its author, has started for the Pacific to present his side of the case to his constituents. If Wilson had the right, so has Hiram.

Democratic leaders continued yesterday to maintain that they expected unreserved ratification, but didn't say when. There was, however, a strong rumor that back of their boasting, there was a tendency to lose hope and to struggle for the best compromise that they could get.

The president's ill health, the result of too long concentration on the great problems of state craft, is due in part to his stubborn unwillingness to divide up certain tasks, thus lightening his own labors. He will have the wishes of the entire country for an immediate and complete recovery, and some elements wish this with more than just a cordial good will. The labor-capital conference at Washington draws near and we are anxious to learn from its discussion what is meant by the president's stated determination to present the wage problem on an entirely new basis.

PROFITEERS

It is reported from Phoenix, the supposed center of the campaign in Arizona against the high cost of living, that the authorities have dug up a lot of stuff on the birds who are making immense retail profits on foods, and have advised them privately that they must quit. Meanwhile, the names are being withheld from the public. It is intimated that scarcely any retailers in that section are not represented in the list for at least one line of goods on which they have exacted too high tribute from the public.

The course pursued by the state campaigners is identical with that being followed nationally, except that the federal authorities occasionally make public the names of men accused of this outrage. Not so in Phoenix, however.

The agitation that followed the springing of the Plumb plan on congress intended for the consumption of gullible constituents, probably, for it is dying down now, what with the multitude of other, later sensations.

Meanwhile the profiteers are laughing up their sleeves.

Ninety days, the labor unions of the railroads gave the government to prove it was sincere in its efforts to reduce the H. C. L.

And in Phoenix they advise the merchants "privately" to cut down prices on some commodities.

There is nothing a Prescott merchant would rather didn't happen than to have his name in print with the charge of profiteering attached. That course on the part of the authorities would quickly squeeze the inflation out of retail prices.

So, too, we presume, are the merchants of Phoenix—afraid of publicity of an adverse sort.

Yet, they are "privately" warned to cut it out.

They will cut it out, just as long as some one is watching them—then some clerk, who has the war time habit, will unconsciously mark war time prices on an invoice of goods, and the paying public will go on paying.

GARY WAS STUMBLING BLOCK

We are not quite clear on the point raised by Judge Gary in refusing at this time to confer with the steel men. He is right when he says the trust has an obligation to the people, because the corporation has attracted a majority of an immense industry to itself, and in assuming this position, has also assumed a responsibility to the people who work in steel and an even greater one to those who use steel in every minute of their daily life.

No man, and no corporation, however, can be so perfectly right that it can refuse a conference. The conference may come to nothing, for the operators may have so much right on their side that they are morally bound to concede nothing—yet men, as Gompers says, being human beings with rights, are entitled to be heard.

The only moral principles with which the judge may be dealing are the principles of human morality, and these have been conceded by practically every other great industry, to include the moral right of men to have a voice in their lives' ordering.

NO LIKELIHOOD OF A SOVIET GOVERNMENT IN AMERICA

The attempt to turn this country over to a government based on the misrule of Russia should be met with a bold front. The sooner the fight begins the better. A small minority of men in this country have started the work of making America like unto Russia, killing our national constitution and wiping out the republic. Governor Cornwell of West Virginia, in a speech at White Sulphur Springs, told of the effort and of the danger of it, and ended by exhorting the chiefs of the land to face this revolutionary movement and crush it.

As soon as the League of Nations matter, which seems to be of paramount importance to the administration, is off the books, and as soon as the tours of the country made by Senators and others come to an end, to the great relief of the nation, then we can attend to the plot to overthrow the government of our country. When the destiny of Armenia is attended to and Persia is assured of protection from Great Britain and the Rumanians are pacified and all the wicked ones of Europe cease from troubling and the weary foreigners rest, then we say will be the time when attention can be paid to the dangers that surround us.

Governor Cornwell asserts that organizations are trying to reduce hours of labor and the number of working days in each week in order to lessen production and stir people up to the point of rebellion. While this is going on, police and fire departments are being organized, and when rebellion starts there will be no protection against violence and arson. This may be exaggeration; we hope it is; but there is enough truth in it to call for prompt action by the administration.

THE PRESIDENT'S ROYAL JEWELS

When Senator Ashurst was speaking on the floor of the United States the other day, he took occasion to call attention to the fact that in 1910 it had been proposed to prohibit the president from accepting gifts from foreign powers and potentates. He was interrupted by Senator Penrose, who said that he had been informed that the value of the gifts which President and Mrs. Wilson had accepted from the crowned heads of Europe was approximately \$1,000,000.

Senator Ashurst was frank enough to say that if any democrat accepted such gifts, no matter if he did not happen to be the president, he would condemn him as quickly as a republican.

"I have been told that the president and his party came back overburdened with presents from crowned heads and foreign governments," Senator Penrose said. "There was jewelry valued at hundreds of thousands, and I was told that customs authorities valued the gifts at more than a million dollars."

It should be an easy matter to verify the report which Senator Penrose has heard. It will be remembered that President and Mrs. Wilson were royally entertained by many crowned heads during the chief executive's stay in Europe and it is quite natural that they should have tendered gifts of great value, but to accept them would, we think, be un-American and un-democratic and deserving not only to the condemnation of Senator Ashurst, but to every self-respecting American citizen.

We would not like to feel that the president of this great nation had placed himself under obligation to foreign princes by accepting such gratuities.—Tucson Citizen.

DYNASTICAL SUCCESSION BROKEN

There will be no attempt by the democratic party to keep the Wilson dynasty in power. Former Secretary of the Treasury William Gibbs McAdoo, who is referred to in the east as the "Crown Prince," will not be put up by the democrats as the successor to his father-in-law.

Whatever Chairman Homer S. Cummings of the national committee learned during his recent tour to the west in search of political dope, he learned that McAdoo would never do as the party's banner-bearer in 1920, so, at a recent meeting of the committee at Atlantic City, the aspirations of the big financier were quietly and effectively squelched.

From the extensive and exhaustive reports now at hand we judge that the great steel strike has accomplished two principal things. First, it has proved conclusively that the unions have won an overwhelming victory; and second, it has proved conclusively that the employers have won an overwhelming victory. Otherwise the situation remains unchanged.

The unadulterated nerve, commend us to that dear Italy. First she left the peace conference because she did not get Fiume, without let or hindrance. Then she returned. Then her national hero, Gabriele d'Annunzio jumped in and grabbed Fiume when nobody was looking. And now Italy wants the Allies to wrest Fiume from d'Annunzio!

Some of the best and most practical charities are never advertised with loud trumpeting. Until we published a story about how the Elks Lodge was helping former soldiers with loans until they could get their government insurance straightened out, nobody around here ever heard of the enterprise.

Altruism runs wild. We are out espousing the cause of the Chinese as regards Shantung, whooping it up for Ireland, saving the world for humanity—all right and fine; but when, in the name of goodness, are we going to get around to saving America for Americans?

'Tis said General Pershing struggled valiantly in repulsing the pretty girl who tried to kiss him the other day in Washington. Ah, General, had you been twenty-five years younger methinks you would not have put up so strudy a defense.

The Petrograd Soviet has decided to ask peace of the Allies, is the report. Knowing as we do what the Bolshevik ideas of peace are we might now remark that the Petrograd Soviet has some task cut out for itself.

Demand for the execution of the Kaiser will be made within two weeks, according to a cablegram. This seems to be one of the few communications devoutly to be wished that do not depend upon the ratification of the treaty.

COUSINS CLASH AND ONE BADLY INJURED

(From Friday's Daily.)

An unfortunate affair has taken place at the county road camp near Humboldt, in which two cousins, Richard and Lewis McNary, came to blows, resulting in the latter having three ribs broken, with other injuries, and he is now in the Consolidated hospital.

The two became involved in a dispute over financial matters, and Richard McNary having only one arm with which to defend himself when attacked by his cousin, picked up a piece of drill steel and rained several blows on his relative with severe injuries.

The trouble was witnessed by several employees of the county, but Lewis McNary having a pronounced impediment in his speech, the language he used could not be distinctly understood. The injured man is from Walnut Grove and went to the road camp to collect the debt he claimed his cousin owed him.

KING PROPERTY IS BEING PUSHED TO DEVELOPMENT

(From Saturday's Daily.)

One of the mining properties of the Yavapai district which is receiving the development work that is warranted by the present high level of prices of the metal market is the King mine. William Foley came in to Prescott from Hillside yesterday and reports that 10 tons of ore are being taken out daily.

The shaft has been sunk to a depth of 400 feet. At this level drifting will be started, with very indication of uncovering additional ore veins. It is rumored that Pacific coast investors have had a scout in the district quietly investigating the showing that is being made.

TO INVESTIGATE SUGAR WASHINGTON, Sept. 27.—Without debate today the senate adopted a resolution by Senator New, republican, Indiana, authorizing the agricultural committee to investigate the present sugar shortage and determine whether legislation to penalize speculation is necessary.

PUBLIC RECORDS

Instruments Filed As Recorded By the Prescott Title Co.

September 23

John Morris to Ross A. Foreman, bill of sale, \$1,500; equipment of Liberty cafe, Jerome.

Ross A. Foreman to Dennis Paxinos, bill of sale, \$1, same property. A. J. Head et ux to Irene W. Mil-

ler, warranty deed, \$10, lot 6, block 8, Prescott.

William Lineback et ux to Mrs. J. V. Thomas, warranty deed, \$10; lot 3, Lineback's Subdivision to Prescott.

O. R. Jaycox et al locate eight oil claims, Congress district.

September 24

L. I. Fletcher et al locate Loyal American placer, Big Bug district. J. H. McKee et al locate three mines, Big Bug district.

September 25

Charles Waidner et al locates Diamond Back claim in Cherry Creek district.

Albert C. Ryer and wife to William M. Graeber et ux, warranty deed, land in Sections 21 and 28, Tp. 14 N., R. 2 W., \$2,800.

Albert C. Ryer and wife to William M. Graeber, et ux, bill of sale, 17 head of cows, \$600.

U. S. to United Verde Ext. Mining Co., Receiver's Receipt, final payment on Wedge lode, Tp. 16 N., R. 2 E.

U. S. to Laverie C. Allred, patent, NE 1/4 of Sec. 30, Tp. 15 N., R. 2 E. S. W. Webb to William Hughes, bill of sale, 33 head cattle.

R. E. Marlette to William Hughes, bill of sale, 22 head cattle and brand. J. A. Tucker located Love Star claim in Crown King district.

September 26

F. A. Bletcher locates Silver Prince and Silver Princess, Turkey Creek district.

Seven Lakes Consolidated Oil Co. files articles of incorporation; capital stock \$500,000; place of business, Prescott.

United States to Anton Bisjak, patent, NE 1/4 of Sec. 34, Tp. 16 N., R. 2 W.

John Harlan to Arizona Victory Mining Co., deed, \$1, Copper No. 2, Independence No. 2, Walker district. Geo. D. Morris and Amos F. Swigert, deed, \$300, same as above.

September 27

S. E. Chaney located Moscow Nos. 1 and 2 claims, Agua Fria district. C. W. Clark to Wm. B. Scott, quit claim deed, lot 4, block 8, Main mining claim, Jerome, \$750.

M. M. Hardesty et al to Mrs. Jane Keating, deed, \$1, east 50 feet of lots 1 and 2, block 32, Prescott.

S. A. Cartter to Frank Bobo, warranty deed, \$125; lot 15, Home Acre tract.

W. A. Ballard et ux to Mrs. S. Y. Woodward, warranty deed, \$350; southern part of NW 1/4 of NE 1/4 Sec. 4, Tp. 11 N., R. 3 W.

September 29

O. O. Fuel and W. F. to Ming &

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Anderson, quit claim deed, \$10, possessory right Martinez and Duncan ranches and water rights.

Leopold Walloth to W. M. Pike, quit claim deed, \$300, Wivide placer minin claim, Yarnall camp.

Clara L. Overton et con to James Lowthian, warranty deed, \$10, E 1/2 NW 1/4 NE 1/4 Sec. 32, Tp. 14 N., R. 1 W.

A. Stuke to Black Diamond Mining and Dev. Co., mining deed, \$100, 1916 and Sunday mining claims, Walker district.

H. D. Sheppard to Aubrey Gist, bill of sale, \$8,122, 1,875 Angora goats.

H. D. Sheppard and wife to William Lawler et al, warranty deed, \$3,500, W 1/2 NE 1/4 and E 1/2 NW 1/4 Sec. 26, Tp. 12 N., R. 1 W.

U. S. to Harris F. Fritsche, patent, lots 2, 3, 4, SE 1/4 SW 1/4, Sec. 30, Tp. 19 N., R. 3 W.

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